

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/081,822
Reply to Office Action dated May 17, 2005

Remarks:

Applicants have read and considered the Office Action dated May 17, 2005.

In the Action, a Restriction Requirement was placed on the Application. The action stated that restriction was required between two invention, mainly:

Invention I, claims 1-11, drawn to a method for estimating; and

Invention II, claims 12-16, drawn to a system for achieving goals.

Applicants hereby elect Invention 1, claims 1-11, with traverse.

Applicants assert that the Inventions are related and that the Restriction is not proper in this instance. Both of the inventions relate to values and estimates and all of the claims may be searched and examined together.

Speedy and favorable action by the Examiner is hereby solicited. If the Examiner feels that a telephone interview may be helpful in this matter, please contact Applicant's representative at 612.336.4728.

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